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New AYUSH Drugs
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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new drugs developed and new medicines introduced in AYUSH system of medicine along with research works undertaken in this regard during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of slow progress in development of new drugs in AYUSH stream in view of enforcement of clinical trial method system as followed by modern medicine and lack of institutional mechanism for AYUSH;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to set up a separate Controlling Authority and Ethical Committee for AYUSH Research institutions, if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)
(a): Central Government has set up four Research Councils, namely Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM), Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS) and Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) which are involved in research activities, inter-alia including development of new drugs. The details of the new drugs developed and new medicines introduced during last three years and current year by these Councils are at Annexure. In addition to these, the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) also conducts research for development of herbal drugs/ formulations. Some important herbal drugs / formulations

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developed by CSIR in recent years are as below:

(i) BGR-34- for diabetes
(ii) Risorine- for tuberculosis; and
(iii) Anti-arthritis formulation- for osteoarthritis.

(b) & (c): Yes. To converge the research approach existing in AYUSH system with the modern system of medicine, the Ministry of AYUSH has completed preliminary deliberation with Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR) and has decided to provide specific leads to them to enable molecular based study.

(d): All the Research Councils are autonomous organisations with separate ethical committees. Ministry of AYUSH directly co-ordinates with these Councils whenever required.
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